

CENTRAL WOOD SUPERFUND SITE

East Feliciana Parish, Louisiana



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Current Status

Excavation, treatment and disposal of site soils began in November 2003 and were completed in August 2004. The site was graded and re-vegetated and is currently in a maintenance and monitoring phase. Follow up sampling in late 2005 revealed an area on the south side of the site that required additional excavation. The removal of this additional area was completed in June 2006. Two monitoring wells will remain at the site for future monitoring of the groundwater by the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality.

Benefits

The completion of the cleanup in 2004 reduces human health and ecological risks and allows for reuse of the property. The East Feliciana Police Jury filed a Conveyance Notification in August 2005 that will control future land use of the site and allows for residential use.

A removal action in 1995 eliminated immediate risks from above ground tanks and associated hazardous contents and overall addressed the short-term risks of an acute nature.

National Priorities Listing (NPL) History

Proposed Date: 1/19/1999
Final Date: 5/10/1999
Deletion Proposal Date: n/a
Final Deletion Date: n/a

Location: The 17 acre site is located in an unincorporated area in East Feliciana Parish, Louisiana. The site is near the town of Slaughter, Louisiana. The site is divided by State Hwy 959.

Population: The nearby population is sparse, however, a few residents live along the northwest boundary of the site.

Setting: The facility is an inactive and abandoned wood preserving facility that was in operation from the 1950s to 1991. The facility process included the use of creosote, copper oxide, chromic acid, and arsenic acid.

Principal Pollutants: Arsenic, copper, chromium and creosote.

Health Considerations:

The human health risk assessment concluded that there are elevated health risks associated with arsenic involved in the former wood preserving operations. By addressing the human health risks, the ecological risks will also be addressed.

Record of Decision (ROD)

The ROD was issued on April 5, 2001.

Main cleanup components of the ROD include:

- Thermal Desorption - Approximately 28,260 cubic yards of contaminated soil and sediment will be excavated from the site. Of this amount, approximately 9,200 cubic yards will undergo treatment on-site via thermal desorption to address the creosote contamination. The remaining ash from the thermal desorption as well as the approximately 19,060 cubic yards of arsenic contaminated soil/sediment will be sent offsite to a Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Subtitle C hazardous waste facility.
- Buildings and debris piles - Buildings and debris piles that prevent equipment from excavating contaminated soil will be sent off-site for disposal.

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